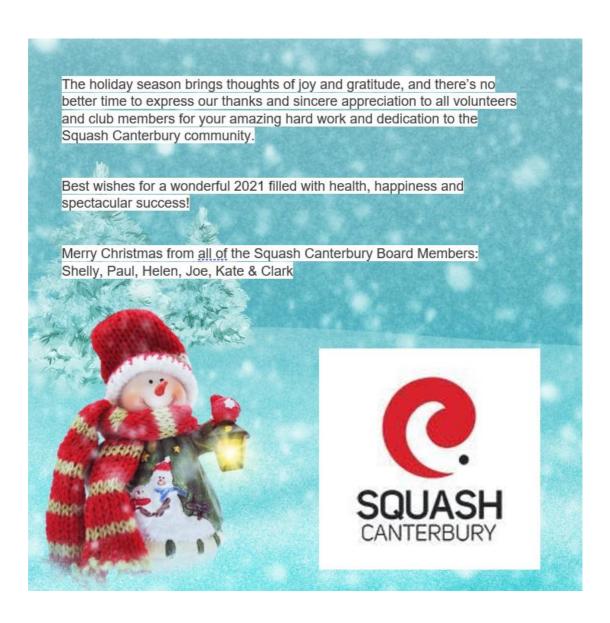
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CEO Report

The year has now wrapped up in the office, with final emails being received and sent over the coming days. I have compiled our engagement numbers across social media, website and newsletter, which I have included in this newsletter for all to see as I think it is valuable information to share so that we can work together to enhance the online exposure of squash in Canterbury. In addition to that, if you or anyone you know who may be wanting more exposure for a business and would be interested in discussing these numbers and some potential sponsorship opportunities please don't hesitate to get in touch with me. I have now compiled a list of sponsorship options pertaining to our various tournaments, interclub and Tournament Road – however this list is not exhaustive so we can certainly discuss anything else you may be interested in, such as junior programmes or representative teams.



Due to our presence in the Sport Canterbury office where Di and I are based, we were lucky enough to receive a \$5,000 credit from Sport Canterbury to spend on sanitiser products through KTG Sanitising Solutions that can be distributed to our clubs. This credit has now been applied and I am now in possession of an exorbitant amount of sanitiser products! Several all clubs have already taken up the offer, so if your club is interested in receiving free sanitiser products to lower operational costs and provide the club with enough stock for 2021 to continue combatting Covid-19, please let me know. There is plenty to go around!

Representatives of the Squash Canterbury board attended the Squash New Zealand District Forum held in Wellington in the middle of the month, where CEO Martin Dowson unveiled the draft new Squash 'in' New Zealand strategy. The idea behind the name is that the strategy encompasses all of squash in New Zealand, as opposed to the strategy pertaining to only the Squash New Zealand organisation. The draft received feedback from district chairs, board members and employees at the forum, and we look forward to seeing the next iteration of it in the New Year and the 'how' of it being implemented. It will be fantastic for Squash New Zealand, the Districts, the clubs and the individual members and players to have greater clarity around the future direction of the sport and also who does what in helping to achieve those goals and objectives.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your involvement in the squash community this year, whether that be as a coach, player, volunteer, referee, committee member, selector, administrator, supporter or any other important role that I may have missed. Despite the uncertain times we live in, squash in New Zealand and in Canterbury has held steady and is in a strong position to make positive strides in 2021 – and that is all down to the people like yourselves that knit our community together.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and I hope you all find some time over the break to rest, unwind and reset.

Kristy Havill I Chief Executive Officer for Squash Canterbury Email: info@squashcanterbury.co.nz I Tel: 027 533 7348

TRY IT. PLAY IT. LOVE IT.

Squash Canterbury January 2021 Holiday Program All Beginner Sessions Bring a friend for FREE

(please note friends name in comments section when booking & wear clean non marking court shoes)

 Tuesday 19th January
 10am—12noon
 \$20

 Wednesday 20th January
 10am—12noon
 \$20

 Thursday 21st January
 10am—12noon
 \$20

Session at Hoon Hay Squash Club 8 Takaro Avenue Sockburn Coach Kayti Carrick.



Beginners, Bookings are Essential

Suitable for new players and J4/ J3 graded players

https://www.squashcanterbury.co.nz/registration/index.cfm

Or contact Di McCoy juniordev@squashcanterbury.co.nz



Junior Development Officer Report

Youth League Update

The proposed Squash Canterbury Youth League will not be starting in Term 1 due to not being able to access the minimum number of courts needed at a central venue at a day/time suitable to this age group of players. There is a large amount of research around how to keep our secondary school aged children in sport and active. Squash is not alone in seeing a significant drop off in numbers playing at this age group, and sports that are doing well in this area have managed to provide a safe playing environment which achieves both the social and competitive needs of our secondary school aged students - having fun and building friendships. For many youth it is the friendships within a sport that keep them playing. More work is to be done on this proposal to enable squash to better cater for our secondary school aged players in the future.

Junior Interclub Term 1 dates

Junior Interclub will commence Monday 15th February. If you are wanting to register for Junior Interclub in 2021 please register through your club. Thank you to all of our clubs' Junior convenors for all of their efforts in 2020. Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas break wherever you find yourself in New Zealand this summer. Travel safe and see you court side again in 2021.



Interclub Anderson & Hill Most Improved Player Award
A massive thank you to Mark Carter at Anderson & Hill in
Barrington Mall for his continued support of our Junior
Interclub competition.

Congratulations to both Ashton Cameron and Amy Garvey of

Christchurch Squash Club, both earning this terms Most Improved Player awards. Well done and I look forward to seeing you both develop your games further in 2021.



Squash Canterbury Holiday Programme 2021

As you can see in the advertisement above, Squash Canterbury will be running a beginner holiday programme at Hoon Hay Squash Club on Tuesday 19th to Thursday 21st January 2021 from 10:00am – 12:00pm with Kayti Carrick. Suitable for beginner players through to and including our J3 graded players. To register please use the link below.

https://www.squashcanterbury.co.nz/registration/index.cfm

Christchurch Squash Club January Holiday Programme 2021

Christchurch Squash Club are running a programme that caters to both our beginner and our developing players.

Tuesday 26 January

10:00am - 12:00pm Beginners J2 and below Cost - \$20

1:00pm - 4:00pm Intermediate J1 and above Cost - \$30

Thursday 28 Jan

10:00am – 12:00pm Beginners J2 and below Cost - \$20

1:00pm - 4:00pm Intermediate J1 and above Cost - \$30

Enquiries & to register contact Tim McVie, coaching@christchurchsquash.co.nz

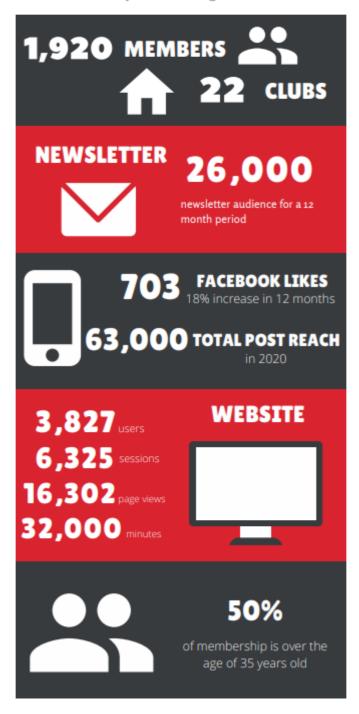
Squash Canterbury Junior Rules & Referee session for beginners J3 & J4 graded players
Squash Canterbury will be running a Junior Rules & Referee session at Christchurch Squash
Club for beginner players J4 & J3 graded on Monday 1st of February from 5.45 – 7pm. This is
a great opportunity for both junior players and their parents to learn the rules of squash and
how to correctly mark a squash game. You do not need to be playing competitive squash to
attend, and it is a requirement of playing interclub to attend a session annually.

Happy holidays!

Di McCoy I Junior Development Officer for Squash Canterbury Email: juniordev@squashcanterbury.co.nz I Tel: 021 245 0966



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News

Christchurch Spring Interclub Results

Spring Interclub took place around clubs in Christchurch, North Canterbury and Darfield throughout the months of October to December to round off the year in style, and for the winning teams it meant taking bragging rights into the New Year. Well done to all of those who participated, and a huge thank you again to clubs for their hospitality and court usage.

A summary of winners is as follows:

Women's Division 1 - Christchurch 1

 Jemma Erceg, Joanna Ellwood, Rhonda Tapp, Michelle Tapp, Liza Tonkin, Claire Cumming

Women's Division 2 - Amberley

 Kayla Brocks, Amy Anderson, Sally MacDonald, Jenny Light, Susan Gardner, Katie Light

Women's Division 3 - Linwood Stars

- Chrissie Rutland, Aleysha Nevin, Julie Barker, Ana Tatana, Toni Andrews, Christina Dempster

Men's Division 1 - Burnside 1

- Jayden Millard, Ryan Ko, Nathan Briggs, Aaron Briggs, Dylan Budge

Men's Division 2 - Burnside 2

- Greg Bramley, Deon Katzke, Chris Hatton, Ben Wilkinson, Chris Shannon

Men's Division 3 - Malvern 1

Luke Gordon, Matthew Roberts, Anthony Roberts, David Topham, Daniel Frampton,
 Hayden de Burger

Men's Division 4 – Old Farts

- Shaun Carter, Jock Mackay, Ian Donovan, Wayne Commons, Rod Hooper, Kevin Wallis

Men's Division 5 - Christchurch 11

- Timothy Petterson, Michael Hume, Robert Hanson, Jason Long, Richard Dowie, Mark Robertson

Men's Division 6 – Rangiora 3

 Daniel Lim, Spencer Jarrett, Dominic Lim, Tanisha Butt, Anastasia Lim, Aidan Evans, Larry Tull

Men's Division 7 - Christchurch 13

Christopher Lowe, Aaron Leckenby, Bradley Peterson, Luke Mortimer, Tyler Hulme,
 Kyle Hurley, Harrison McLardy

Squash New Zealand Awards

Congratulations to Wayne Smith and Grace Hymers, both of the Christchurch Squash Club, for claiming national honours at the Squash New Zealand Annual Awards. Wayne was awarded winner of the Referee Personal Endeavour category, following his win as Referee of the Year at the Squash Canterbury Awards earlier in November. Grace was crowned as winner of the Most Improved Female Award after being recognised by Squash New Zealand for her commitment to travelling around New Zealand during this disrupted season for increased competition, as well as improving by over 100 points in A Grade this year. Well done Wayne and Grace, everyone in the Squash Canterbury community is immensely proud of you.







Club Resources

2021 Application Funding timeline

As we enter the last quarter for 2020, now is the ideal time to be turning your club's attention to what you would like to achieve in 2021. The key to achieving those aspirations? Securing funding. The biggest element to success when it comes to funding is <u>planning ahead</u>. Some larger funders, such as NZCT, Rata and The Lion Foundation take at least a couple of months (depending on the amount you are applying for) to make a decision on applications and a transaction to take place. So it's best to not leave these applications to the last minute. In order to prevent this, you can look up each funder on their respective websites and find their deadlines for receiving applications for the entire year. From there, you can start to create a 12 month timeline that shows you what application deadlines are coming up and when you should start turning your attention to them. Match this up with different points in the year when your clubs might need help with funding (e.g for tournaments, maintenance, coaching etc) and this will give you an idea of when to apply to which fund for what purpose.

Tu Manawa

Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa is the new Sport New Zealand fund, replacing KiwiSport, that provides funding for initiatives that deliver sport, active recreation or play to children and youth. This fund has a particular emphasis on delivering outcomes for those living with a disability, those in higher deprivation communities, and also girls and young women. Projects targeting these groups will be prioritised for funding. Sport Canterbury and Sport Tasman are encouraging collaborative applications with other clubs from the same sport or from different sporting codes, so please do get in touch with clubs nearby in order to pool your resources. Applications have now closed for Round 2 for clubs in Canterbury and on the West Coast, but will there will be another funding round in the New Year. For clubs in Nelson Bays, Marlborough and Kaikoura, there will be also be another funding round in the New Year from Sport Tasman.

For clubs in Canterbury and West Coast, details here:

https://www.sportcanterbury.org.nz/T-Manawa-1

For clubs in Nelson Bays, Marlborough and Kaikoura, details here:

http://www.sporttasman.org.nz/Funding/Tu-Manawa

Volunteer of the month

Kate Fox (Burnside Squash Club)

Kate has had a supremely active year of volunteering during 2020. She has been heavily involved with the Squash Canterbury Interclub Committee, the Women's Development Committee and the Burnside Squash Club Committee, in addition to her being a Squash Canterbury Board member. She has brought to these roles an amazing level of positivity and enthusiasm, and was subsequently crowned Squash Canterbury Volunteer of the Year for 2020 at the recent online award.

Within her club she has taken on the role of a Membership Coordinator, where she fields enquiries from potential new members and then guides them through the membership processes and welcomes them to our club. She is always involved in helping out at working bees, assisting at club nights, helping in the bar at tournaments, and is a fantastic role model - especially to our young women.

She is a willing and enthusiastic contributor of future ideas and event planning. She is also hugely enthusiastic and is always a welcoming face to everyone, old and new members alike, in the Squash Canterbury community. All of these achievements above have been completed while being a reliable team captain for both her Burnside Men's and Ladies' Interclub teams. It is wonderful to see such an enthusiastic young volunteer and female role model shining through in 2020.

Got someone at your club who does outstanding work behind the scenes that deserves some recognition? Now more than ever, it is important to be acknowledging and thanking our volunteers who put in their time and effort to keep our clubs ticking over. Get in touch with Kristy at info@squashcanterbury.co.nz with a small bio and a photo, and she will put it in next month's newsletter!